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In re the application of
Lubock et al.

) Examiner: C. A. Marmor, II

) Group Art Unit: 3736

For: DILATION DEVICES AND METHODS
FOR REMOVING TISSUE SPECIMENS

Serial No.: 09/916,937

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Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on July 21, 2004, in San Francisco, CA.By: ASPETITION TO WITHDRAW CLAIM OF PRIORITY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.182 AND
REQUEST FOR CORRECTED FILING RECEIPT THEREOFMail Stop RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. §1.182 to withdraw all claim of priority
in the above-referenced application in view of the allowed claims in this application.


Applicants withdraw the claim of priority to applications U.S. Serial No. 09/057,303, filed
April 8, 1998, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,331,166, Serial No. 09/146,185, filed September 1,
1998, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,540,693, Serial No. 09/159,467, filed September 23, 1998,
now U.S. Pat. No. 6,261,241, Serial No. 09/238,965, filed January 27, 1999, now U.S.
Pat. No. 6,659,105, Serial No. 09/356,187, filed July 16, 1999, now U.S. Pat. No.
6,312,429, and Serial No. 09/477,255, filed January 4, 2000, now U.S. Pat. No.

6,471,700. Additionally, Applicants request a new corrected filing receipt reflecting the withdrawal of claim of priority.

The fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(h) for this petition of \$130.00 should be charged to Deposit Account 04-1679, referencing Atty. Docket No. R0367-02600. The Commissioner is authorized to charge the same deposit account any deficiencies in fees in connection with this petition. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for this purpose.

Please note that concurrently filed herewith is a Request for Continued Examination Under 37 C.F.R. §1.114.

Respectfully submitted,

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